THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1961, as amended be passed."

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1961, as amended be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill as amended was passed.

V.—ANNOUNCEMENT.

OBSERVANCE OF THE MARTYRS' DAY.

MR. SPEAKER : Before we take up the next item on the agenda, I wish to make an announcement. On Monday, the 30th January 1961, silence will be observed for two minutes from 11 a.m. to 11-02 a.m. in memory of those who gave up their lives in the struggle for India's Freedom. It has been suggested to me, and all leaders of parties have agreed to it, that this House shall adjourn at 10-45 a.m. and re-assemble at 11-45 a.m. on that day to enable hon. Members to observe the Two-Minutes' silence under the Flag Staff. Necessary arrangements will be made by the Hon. the Minister for Home for the reception and seating of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

VI.—MOTION *RE*—ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE.

SRI P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN : Sir, I suggest that we may adjourn at 1 p.m. today and we need not sit in the afternoon. The items of business that may be left over, may be considered on some other day. I have consulted the leaders of the Opposition parties also.

MR. SPEAKER : Is it the desire of the House that the House may adjourn at 1 p.m. and not sit in the afternoon?

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Yes, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : In that case, the hon. Member may move a motion.

SRI P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN : Sir, I move—

"That the House be adjourned for the day at 1 p.m. and that it need not sit in the afternoon as programmed."

The motion was duly seconded.

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the House be adjourned for the day at 1 p.m. and that it need not sit in the afternoon as programmed".

The motion was put and carried.